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AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

The attached sheet of drawings includes changes to Fig.8. This sheet replaces the original sheet including Fig. 8. An explanation of these changes appears in the Remarks section of this amendment.

Attachment: Replacement Sheet
Annotated Sheet Showing Changes

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REMARKS

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STATUS OF THE APPLICATION AND RESPONSE TO OBJECTIONS:

Prosecution of the present Application has been closed under the doctrine of *Ex parte Quayle*. All claims are allowed, and the prosecution of the Application is now limited solely to responding to the Examiner's formal objections to the Specification and Drawings.

The Examiner objects to the Drawings because the reference character "305" was used to designate two separately designated "Thermally Expansive Layers." Applicant notes that this resulted from an inadvertent mislabeling of the overcoat 395 as a thermally expansive layer 305 in Fig. 8. The fact that the portion mislabeled as "thermally expansive layer 305" should actually have been "overcoat 395" is apparent from the correctly labeled Figs. 3, 4, 5, and 11. Applicant has made appropriate corrections to Fig. 8 to remedy this error. Applicant also notes that force F4 710 was incorrectly labeled as force F14 in Fig. 8, and that error has been corrected as well. Accordingly, Applicant requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the objection to the Drawings.

The Examiner also objected to paragraph [0059] because the description of Fig. 8 did not make clear which thermally expansive layer 305 was being described. Because there is now only one thermally expansive layer 305 shown in the corrected Fig. 8, it is now clear that the language in paragraph [0059] refers to this layer. Accordingly, Applicant requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the objection to the Specification.

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CONCLUSION

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In view of the foregoing amendments and/or remarks, Applicant respectfully submits that the pending claims are now in condition for allowance and requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the formal objections. If it is believed that a telephone conversation would expedite the prosecution of the present application, or clarify matters with regard to its allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the number listed below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any required fees associated with this Communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1055.

Respectfully submitted,

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APPENDIX